

Amendment to the Drawings

Kindly amend the drawings by substituting the versions appearing behind Tab A for those originally filed. Applicant has revised these figures consistent with the agreement reached with the Examiner during the Interview.

Response to Interview Summary

A. Drawings

The Examiner has not previously approved entry of replacement drawings for FIGS. 1, 3, and 7, expressing concern about depiction of (1) receptacles 30 in FIG. 1, (2) motor receptacle 110 in FIGS. 1, 3, and 7, and (3) plate 106 in FIG. 7.* During the Interview, Applicant showed the Examiner the undersigned's original file copy of the application which, unlike the Examiner's copy (which had been scanned into an electronic file by the U.S. Patent Office and thereafter reprinted onto paper), includes more discernable detail about these three aspects of boat 10. Applicant and the Examiner thereafter agreed that replacement drawings of FIGS. 1, 3, and 7 showing:

(1) receptacle 30 as having discernable width and not crossing dividers between adjacent sections 26;

(2) motor receptacle 110 in trapezoidal outline with side flanges for receiving plate 106; and

(3) plate 106 as having a corresponding trapezoidal shape with two generally-rectangular cut-outs

would be acceptable.

Applicant has revised FIGS. 1, 3, and 7 accordingly.** Attached hereto behind Tab A for the Examiner's convenience are replacement sheets for all of FIGS.

*The Examiner also objected to a previously-submitted version of FIG. 1 that included "5 small circles in sections 22 and 26."

**Following the Interview, Applicant noted a minor discrepancy between FIGS. 1 and 3 relating to receptacles 30. Consequently, Applicant has moved one receptacle 30 to the right slightly and extended the length of another receptacle 30 in FIG. 3 so as to match better the spacing and length of the receptacles 30 of FIG. 1. Because these changes merely duplicate matter already shown in original FIG. 1, no new matter has been added.

1-7, although FIGS. 2 and 4-6 remain approved and unchanged. Applicant requests that the Examiner approve all of the attached replacement sheets for entry.

B. The Claims

Applicant reiterates its belief expressed during the Interview that the Examiner has misinterpreted claim 1. Applicant additionally reiterates, and incorporates by reference herein, the arguments supporting patentability of the pending claims made in the Amendment and Response mailed January 21, 2005. Applicant accordingly renews its request that the Examiner withdraw all rejections and allow the pending claims.

Petition for Extension of Time

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions the Commissioner for all extensions of time needed to respond to the Office Action.

Fees

Attached is authorization to charge a credit card for \$1020.00 for the petition fee. Applicant believes no other fee presently is due. However, if Applicant's belief is mistaken, the Commissioner is authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 11-0855 for any additional fee due as a consequence of Applicant's submission of this paper.

Conclusion

Applicant requests that the Examiner enter the replacement drawings attached hereto and allow claims 1-4, 7-12, and 21-23 and that a patent containing these claims issue in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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